

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1024

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, In support of the use of biodiesel fuel.

WHEREAS, the federal government, under rules proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency, is proposing to reduce sulfur levels in all on-road diesel fuel sold in the United States from current levels of approximately five hundred parts per million by 2007; and

WHEREAS, once this rule is fully adopted, this reduction in sulfur content to improve air quality will also reduce or nearly eliminate this new fuel's ability to provide adequate lubrication for vital engine parts; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota consumes nearly 230 million gallons of diesel fuel per year produced from sources outside the state:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-sixth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the South Dakota Legislature supports the use of biodiesel as the lubricating agent of choice, be it at two percent to five percent for all diesel fuel offered for sale in the State of South Dakota; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature supports the use of biodiesel for all diesel fuel offered for sale in South Dakota as a means to reduce South Dakota's dependence on imported oil, improve South Dakota's air quality, and to build a strong and stable domestic market for South Dakota produced soybean oil.

Adopted by the House of Representatives,  
Concurred in by the Senate,

February 27, 2001  
March 01, 2001

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Speaker of the House

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